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People volunteer for lots of reasons: to give back, to help others and out of empathy. Jerri McTaggart does it for all those reasons and more. McTaggart was one of almost 3,000 Lab volunteers who logged more than 269,000 hours last year. She, and other current and retired Lab employees, were recognized at a recent event in Los Alamos at Fuller Lodge. To support volunteer efforts the Lab's operator, Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS), distributed almost \$177,450 to 240 organizations. In all, LANS has contributed \$725,000 dollars to nonprofit organizations since 2006.

McTaggart, who volunteered more than 1,200 hours last year and was specifically recognized at the event, has not only helped transfer animals from Carlsbad to Espanola for adoption on a regular basis but also delivered much-needed materials to small communities in Oklahoma following recent tornadoes. She, her husband Kevin, and a 24-foot trailer full of supplies narrowly missed one such tornado thanks to a stop for lunch.

Each year the Community Programs Office recognizes the Lab's current and retired employees for their contributions to their communities.

Top Volunteers

• James Tape – 2,997 hours (retiree)• Mark Peters – 2,304 hours• Roy Hopwood – 1,881 hours (retiree)• Bill Boeddecker – 1,787 hours (retiree)• Linda Shumard – 1,707 hours

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